

YOUR CITY GOVERNMENT: WHAT IT IS DOING

By Elmore M. Murphy

The "Standing Room Only" sign was out at the City Hall on Monday evening giving the council chamber the air of a revival meeting, much in contrast with the aura of emptiness generally attending these gatherings.

The magnet responsible for the centering of an unusual number of the populace at the council meeting was, of course, the public hearing on the Green Bay Road improvement project duly called as prescribed by law.

When the council chamber was filled to the bursting point, Mayor Roman recessed the council meeting and reconvened the group in its capacity of Board of Local Improvements. This meeting within a meeting was opened by Corporation Counsel McKenna who vainly tried to ward off unnecessary questions and remarks by stating that the hearing was a formality required by law to draw up and pass a resolution on the project and that all complaints would have their "day in court" at a later date.

Following Mr. McKenna's remarks Mayor Roman then through the meeting open to a general discussion on the project and one could imagine him invisibly holding his ears to protect himself from the barrage of complaints, questions, opinions and general conversation that was forthcoming.

not support the improvement unless his group could be assured that all its drainage problems including the familiar backing up of the sanitary sewers could absolutely guaranteed to be solved.

The safety angle was introduced by Mr. Jess Halsted of Crofton Avenue who made a earnest plea that adequate safety facilities be provided to protect school children who would of necessity have to cross a thoroughfare upon which the speed of traffic would be considerably increased. After Mr. Halsted left the meeting it was subsequently brought out by the council that proper safety precautions would be provided for by the city.

The meeting of the Board of Local Improvements was recessed for a short time to allow a third "meeting within a meeting" to be called by Mr. Ralph B. Mack, a residence of Green Bay Road who wished to find out the number present who were definitely opposed to the project.

Following Mr. White's remarks the Mayor thanked those present for expressing their views and stated that he felt the Board was now ready to entertain a resolution on the project which was subsequently passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Any project such as the Green Bay Road improvement is bound to produce a divergence of opinion in a community and this one is no exception. It is always hard to define the line between the greatest good to the neighborhood immediately effected by the improvement and the public benefit to the city as a whole.

Next on the program was a venerable attorney whose chief objection to the project was apparently the form used in drawing up the notice of the public hearing. This gentleman wanted the portion of the cost of the project to be paid out of the gas tax fund to be definitely stated in so many dollars and cents on the notice. Corporation Counsel McKenna contended that it was impossible to make this separation and that the only way the notice could have been legally drawn up was in the exact way it appeared.

Calendar

- THURSDAY
10 p. m. North Shore Creative Writers meet in YWCA.
12:15 p. m. Highland Park Lions meet in Open House Tea room.
1:30 p. m. First Aid class in Community center.
3 p. m. Highland Park High school PTA will have final meeting of school year and election of officers in English Club room.
7:30 p. m. Friendship club will meet in Highland Park YWCA.
8 p. m. Highland Park Legion auxiliary meets in Legion clubrooms.
FRIDAY
8 p. m. Highland Park Community orchestra meets in Community center.
SATURDAY
9 a. m. Arts and Crafts club meets in Community center.
10:30 a. m. Story Hour at library.
SUNDAY
9 a. m. Mothers and Sons Breakfast party in Highland Park USO club.
9:15 a. m. Highland Park Hiking club meets at Northwestern depot, Highland Park.
3 p. m. Hale America Cycling club meets at Community center.
MONDAY
12:15 p. m. Rotary club meets in Moraine On-the-Lake.
4 p. m. Toppers club meets in YWCA.
6:15 p. m. Kiwanis club meets in Moraine On-the-Lake.
7 p. m. Table Tennis club meets in Community center.
7:30 p. m. Advanced First Aid class meets in Community center.
8 p. m. Highland Park American Legion's police auxiliaries meet in Legion Clubrooms.
American Red Cross first aid class meets in YWCA.
TUESDAY
8 p. m. Christian Science lecture at Deerfield.

Highland Park U. S. O. News

A free long distance call home is a prize that every man in the service would consider worth winning, and the opportunity will be offered him on Thursday and Sunday of this week. A pocket billiard and ping pong tournament is being held on Thursday, May 7, and the lucky winners are to be awarded the phone calls home, regardless whether they live in Bangor, Maine or Waukegan. Again, on Sunday, May 10, another chance will be given some soldier or sailor to call his folks; all he must do this time is to be the holder of the lucky number drawn from a hat. The Mother's Day breakfast is also being held at the club on Sunday, and is scheduled to begin at 9 A.M.

The program for the coming week is as follows:

Monday, May 4—Dancing, instruction if desired by Mrs. Lucy Smith, 7 P.M. to 9 P.M. Hostess group No. 4. Soldiers and Sailors Club council at 8 P.M.

Tuesday, May 5—Movies, 7 P.M. to 8 P.M. Hostess group No. 5 Special instruction in craft shop, 7:30 P.M.

Wednesday, May 6—Pocket instruction by Mr. Beatty, 7 P.M. to 8 P.M. Dance—Southern Club, 8 P.M. to 11 P.M. Hostess groups No. 2, 3, and 4.

Thursday, May 7—Pocket billiard and ping pong tournament. Prizes, long distance calls home. Hostess group No. 6. Open House for wives of soldiers and nurses, 2 P.M.

Friday, May 8—Dance, hostess groups No. 1, 2 and 3. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Olmstead, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Alan Dicus, host and hostesses.

Saturday, May 9—Dancing, refreshments. Hostess group No. 7.

Sunday, May 10—Mother's Day breakfast, 9 A.M.; phone call home for holder of lucky number. Vespers, 5:30 to 6 P.M. Movies, 7 P.M. to 8 P.M. Dancing, 8 P.M. to 11 P.M.



David James Pasquesi, 30, son of Angelo Pasquesi, 681 Deerfield avenue, Highland Park, graduated May 1, from Recruit training as an honor man from Great Lakes Naval Training station.



Claude Vander Bloomen, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Vagder Bloomen, 213 North Avenue, Highwood, entered the armed forces April 14 and is a member of Company "E", 33rd Signal Training battalion, Camp Crowder, Mo.

H. L. Roush To Leave For Naval Duties

Hoyt L. Roush of 958 Ridgewood drive, has been commissioned Lieutenant Commander in the U. S. Naval Reserve and will soon report for active duty.

Mr. Roush has been a resident of this city for several years and is president of his neighborhood Ridgewood Park Association. He is a Certified Public Accountant and a graduate of the University of Chicago. He is a member of the Propeller club of Chicago, the Chicago Engineers' Club and various professional accounting societies.

He is leaving a position as treasurer of Fitz Simmons and Connell Dredge and Dock Company of Chicago to become actively identified with the naval forces.

"In the Nation's Service" is a new Press feature. Send us the picture of your son, brother or sweetheart. We will print two service men's pictures each week. Your picture will be returned to you. If you do not have a picture of your soldier, sailor or Marine, call the Press, H. P. 557, and we will arrange to have his picture taken free of charge.

PAUL J. COLEMAN

The Glencoe Theatre and the Highland Park Press invites you to be their guest at the Glencoe Theatre. If you will call at the office of the Press, 516 Laurel Avenue, you will be given a pair of passes, which may be used any time this week.

Highwood U. S. O.

Members of the Mothers club of Highland Park will adopt Fort Sheridan boys as their "sons" on Sunday, May 10, Mothers Day, since many of their own sons are in army camps, with the navy or at the front. These women will sponsor a supper get-together at 5 p.m. at the Highwood U.S. O. club operated by N.C.C.S. at 428 Railway Ave. Mrs. Joseph Riddle of Highland Park is in charge of arrangements.

Roy P. Bedore, director and grand knight of Father Setters council of the Knights of Columbus, attended the state convention of the Knights in Chicago on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, as did Fred Ehrens of Highwood, chairman of the N.C.C.S. operating committee.

An accordion was donated last week by Mrs. William S. Warfield III of Winnetka to complete the club's music shelf. Donations of other musical instruments for service men to use in their off-hours will be much appreciated. A piano for the boys to pound at is something that is needed right now also.

Seven writing tables recently were installed in the lounge, resulting in an increased use of U.S.O. stationery. Many of the boys wish to use a dictionary when writing and, therefore, anyone who cares to contribute a lexicon is urged to do so. May 11 has been set as the opening date for the fund-raising campaign of the U.S.O., it is announced. The drive will continue through July 4.

RALPH MICHAELS

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Miss Helen Knight, Highland Park, and a student at Smith College, is among the guests attending Hamilton College's Defense Weekend Party, May 1-3.

Drive-In Theatre Opens on May 7th

Introducing a new marvel of science originated for show business, the Drive-In Theatre, at Waukegan and Golf Roads, will open for the season on Thursday, May 7.

The new development is an individual radio-type speaker for each car. Originated by R. C. A., this is the first time these particular speakers, which are connected directly with the projection room, have been used in an outdoor theatre. They will allow each patron to tune in the volume to suit individual tastes. The new equipment brings a fidelity of sound of such clarity and definition that it brings as revolutionary an advance as talking pictures were over the old silent films. It is claimed this sound compares favorably with the new frequency modulation in radio.

The Drive-In Theatre is also in the hands of landscape gardeners, so as to make the popular north side outdoor place of amusement, a garden spot.

The theatre will conform with last year's policy of two changes of pictures per week, with a midnight show every Friday and Saturday. New and elaborate refreshment facilities have been added.

Pvt. John Vander Bloomen son of Mr. and Mrs. John Vander Bloomen, 213 North Ave., Highwood has been transferred from Camp Robinson, Arkansas to the 78th Ordnance Company "D" at Camp Haan, Calif.



Approves of Host—Mama Gerardo fully approves of Dov Vermillion, who is host to the eight Gerardos during their performance in the high school spring play on May 11, in the high school auditorium. Eddie Gilroy is the doctor and Helen Caro portrays Mama.

DON WINSLOW OF THE NAVY by FRANK MARTINEK

HERE'S WHAT I MEAN, RED. EACH DEFENSE BOND WE BUY MEANS MORE SHIPS AND PLANES FOR OUR NAVY!



DON WINSLOW OF THE NAVY SAYS—SHIPMATES, LET'S GO ALL OUT FOR OUR EXPANDING NAVY—BUY DEFENSE BONDS!

Pvt. David P. Jenkins, who is stationed at an army aviation base in Albuquerque, N. M. is spending a two week furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Jenkins, 320 Central Avenue.

Spencer D. Moseley, will quit school at the beginning of next semester to enlist in a Yale naval flying unit made up of eight students on the Yale, New Haven, Conn. campus. He is the captain elect of the Yale football team.

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